



Human health at the ends of the earth

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Abstract:

The genesis of this special issue 'Human Health at the ends of the earth' was stimulated by the reinvigorated interest in promoting circumpolar health during the International Polar Year (IPY) 2007-2008. The IPY occurs approximately every 50 years and is a major international polar research program intended to expand the boundaries of our understanding of the Polar Regions. However unlike previous polar years (1882-1883, 1932-1933 & 1957-1958) the 4th Polar Year, for the first time, focused significant attention to the human dimension of Arctic research, and in particular circumpolar health and wellbeing.

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Resource Description

Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Ecosystem Changes, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Security, Temperature, Other Exposure

Food/Water Quality: Chemical, Pathogen, Other Food Quality

Food Quality (other): persistent organic pollutants

Food/Water Security: Food Access/Distribution, Other Marine Productivity

Temperature: Extreme Cold, Extreme Heat

Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

Arctic

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Non-United States, United States

Non-United States: Antarctica, Asia, Europe, Non-U.S. North America

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Asian Region/Country: Other Asian Region

Other Asian Region: Arctic Russian Federation

European Region/Country: European Region, European Country

Other European Region: Arctic

Other European Country : Iceland;Norway;Finland;Sweden;Greenland

Health Impact: 

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Cancer, Cardiovascular Effect, Developmental Effect, Infectious Disease, Injury, Mental Health/Stress, Morbidity/Mortality

Developmental Effect: Reproductive

Mental Health Effect/Stress: Mood Disorder

Intervention: 

strategy to prepare for or reduce the impact of climate change on health

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Medical Community Engagement: 

resource focus on how the medical community discusses or acts to address health impacts of climate change

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Mitigation/Adaptation: 

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Population of Concern: A focus of content

Population of Concern: 

populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Children, Racial/Ethnic Subgroup

Other Racial/Ethnic Subgroup: indigenous peoples

Resource Type: 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Policy/Opinion

Resilience: 

capacity of an individual, community, or institution to dynamically and effectively respond or adapt to shifting climate impact circumstances while continuing to function

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Timescale:

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified

Vulnerability/Impact Assessment:

resource focus on process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing vulnerabilities in a system

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